

Media Release

Make a Difference – Nominate for Mount Barker District Council

If you want to make a difference for the whole of the community why not consider nominating for Council. People who are able to provide strong and strategic leadership and who want to influence local long term decisions are encouraged to consider nominating.

Nominations for a 4 year term on Council include the following positions:

- Mayor (1 position)
- North Ward (4 positions)
- Central Ward (4 positions)
- South Ward (2 positions)

A nomination form will need to be completed by 12 noon on 18 September 2018. Forms are available from Council or an electronic version via the Electoral Commission of South Australia (ECSA); or completed via the ECSA on-line portal. A profile of a maximum of 150 words will need to be submitted with the nomination, and a photograph is optional.

The Local Government (Elections) Act 1999, Part 12 outlines the illegal practices [https://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/LZ/C/A/LOCAL%20GOVERNMENT%20\(ELECTIONS\)%20ACT%201999/CURRENT/1999.63.AUTH.PDF](https://www.legislation.sa.gov.au/LZ/C/A/LOCAL%20GOVERNMENT%20(ELECTIONS)%20ACT%201999/CURRENT/1999.63.AUTH.PDF)

Council is also responsible for receiving completed nominations and forwarding those to ECSA for approval. Council will display a copy of each approved nomination.

The draw to determine the position of the candidates on the ballot paper will occur at 4pm on 18 September 2018 in the Council Chambers, following which a list of candidates will be included on Council's website.

Voting occurs by postal vote and ECSA will arrange for voting materials to be mailed to electors from 22 -26 October 2018. Completed votes are required to be returned to the Electoral Commission by 5pm Friday 9 November 2018. Counting begins on Saturday 10 November at the Council Chambers.

The election results will be posted on Council's website and the Local Government Association website.

If you need further information please contact Council's Liaison Officer Ros McDougall on 8391 7264 or rmcdougall@mountbarker.sa.gov.au

The following link to ECSA is provided for any complaints regarding Council elections: <https://ecsa.sa.gov.au/elections/council-elections-home/council-election-complaints>

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